

Nineteen Ninety Eight Summer Commencement



Saturday Morning
July 25, 1998
Eleven O'Clock

Elizabeth Hall Chapel
DeLand, Florida

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PROGRAM

President H. Douglas Lee, Presiding
Professor Mitchell G. Reddish, University Mace Bearer
Professors James R. Beasley, Judson P. Stryker, and Robert W. Weikel,
University Marshals

PROCESSIONAL

Crown Imperial

William Walton

Michael Rickman, Professor of Music
Organist

INVOCATION

Laura Walters Baskett
University Chaplain

WELCOME

H. Douglas Lee
President

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

James E. Woodward
Chair, Deans' Council

ADDRESS

Ranjini L. Thaver
Assistant Professor of Economics
1998 Recipient, McEniry Award for
Excellence in Teaching

THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES

H. Douglas Lee

INSTALLATION OF NEW ALUMNI

Gary A. Meadows
Executive Director,
Alumni Association

The audience is asked to stand during the Processional and the Recessional. Please remain at your seat during the Recessional until all graduates have reached the exits.

ALMA MATER

Dear Alma Mater, smile upon thy children,
Gladly we greet thee, altogether lovely!
Peace be within thy classic halls and temples.
Hail, Alma Mater dear!

Dear Alma Mater, tenderly thy children
Gather and bring to thee gracious salutations.
Comrades, your voices lift once again in chorus;
Hail, Alma Mater dear!

BENEDICTION

Gary A. Meadows

RECESSIONAL

Fanfare

John Cook

Michael Rickman

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CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

MASTER OF ARTS

Teresa Lynn Foster
DeBary, Florida

Francis John Gunshanan
South Daytona, Florida

MASTER OF EDUCATION

Tiffany Ann Attanasio Brietz
Lake Mary, Florida

Allison Michelle Glenzer
Palm Coast, Florida

Mei-Ling Echevarria
DeBary, Florida

Mary Carol Scholz
DeBary, Florida

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Rhonda Lee Dunn
Homestead, Florida

Sharon Suzanne Lewis
DeLand, Florida

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Alvaro Banus Aleixandre
Madrid, Spain

Nicole Lesly Dee
Port Orange, Florida

YoungCheol An
Kwangju, South Korea

Rafael Müller Eizaguirre
Madrid, Spain

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Tampa, Florida

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Lake Mary, Florida

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Winter Haven, Florida

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Lakeland, Florida

Cynthia Laine Wolff
St. Petersburg, Florida

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Cayman Islands

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Laura Elizabeth Long
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Brian Alfred Nelson Neidhardt
Meredith, New Hampshire

Ssu-Yu Lu
DeLand, Florida

Holly René Self
Altamonte Springs, Florida

NOTE: Graduates in the College of Arts and Sciences will be recognized for membership in PHI BETA KAPPA, denoting the highest academic achievement in liberal arts studies. The Stetson chapter was the first established at a private university in Florida.

BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Ryan Ivanhoe Garcia
Port-of Spain, Trinidad

John Peter Marangos, Jr.
Boca Raton, Florida

Jeffrey Robert Hirter
Venice, Florida

Kelli LoRee Murray
DeLand, Florida

Brandon Jones Humes
Pompano Beach, Florida

Lisa Marie Ogram
DeLand, Florida

Keefe Stephen Karvaski
Walnutport, Pennsylvania

Erika Seablom Raefski
New Milford, Connecticut

Raymond Vincent Laliberte
Scarborough, Maine

Yoko Tashiro
Chiba-City, Chiba

Alan Li
Brooklyn, New York

Brandon Michael Trimyer
Danville, Virginia

NOTE: Graduates in the School of Business Administration will be recognized for membership in BETA GAMMA SIGMA, denoting the highest academic achievement in business studies at American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business-accredited institutions.

GRADUATION HONORS

CUM LAUDE

William Blain Drawdy

Heather Lynn Morningstar

RANJINI THAVER

Assistant Professor of Economics
1998 Recipient,

McEniry Award for Excellence in Teaching



Ranjini Thaver, assistant professor of economics, joined the Stetson faculty in 1992. The 1998 recipient of Stetson University's McEniry Award for Excellence in Teaching calls teaching "living her dream."

Born in South Africa, Thaver earned a doctorate and master of arts degree in economics from the University of Notre Dame, and undergraduate degrees from the universities of Cape Town and Durban-Westville in South Africa. Her research interests include South Africa, economic development, econometrics, the economics of social issues, economic methodology and philosophy.

She has presented papers at national, regional and local conferences, including on the Cornell, University of Florida, and Mary Washington College campuses. She has participated in National Science Foundation-funded projects aimed at transforming the economics curriculum. Thaver also serves as a reviewer for the journal, *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society*.

In addition to her participation in academic professional organizations, she has been an active member of the Florida intellectual community, presenting papers and participating in panel discussions on the environment, international trade, entrepreneurship, African-American empowerment, racism and sexism, capitalism and freedom, and South African apartheid.

At Stetson, she has coordinated two international symposia, a faculty workshop on Africana Studies, several bookfeasts, and has been active in creating the Africana Studies Program.

Thaver teaches in the Economics Department, the Honors Program, the Africana Studies Program, Women and Gender Studies, and the University Experience Program. In the classroom, both students and colleagues describe her teaching style as interactive, dynamic and passionate.

Outside the classroom, Thaver enjoys daydreaming, walking, camping and swimming. She and her spouse, Daniel Plante, a visiting professor at Stetson, live in DeLand with their children, Devon and Vishnu.